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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 30, 2003, said period of response being extended from August 30, 2003 to November 30, 2003.

Please charge Deposit Acct. No. 13-2725 the amount of \$950.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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